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Applicant : YUTAKA SASHIDA et al.
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Applicants hereby respond to the Office Action dated January 16, 2008, in connection with the above-identified application.

The Examiner has requested election and restriction between Group 1, including claims 36-38, 55 and 70, covering compounds; Group 2, including claims 39-44 and 56-59, covering pharmaceutical methods of using compounds; and Group 3, including claims 45-54 and 60-69, covering chromatographic methods of purifying compounds.. Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group 1 and reserve the right to file divisional applications or take such other appropriate measure as they deem necessary to protect their inventions lying within Groups 2 and 3.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being electronically submitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office on February 14, 2008.

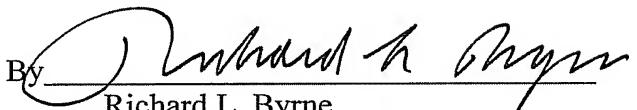
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Examination and allowance of claims 36-38, 55 and 70 are respectfully
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